

CITY OF HARTFORD

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Department of Emergency Services & Telecommunications
Gary A. Stango
Director



April 27, 2005

Dear Residents and Business Owners of the City of Hartford:

On March 15, 2005 the Court of Common Council adopted changes to Chapter 25, Section 25-14(c) and (i) of the Municipal Code which defines and outlines requirements for electronic alarm systems. These changes place a greater responsibility on residents and business owners to properly maintain and operate their electronic alarm systems. The ordinance provides for a registration fee of \$15.00 per year and specific fines for repeated false alarms which initiate an emergency response from police, fire or emergency medical personnel.

The Department of Emergency Services and Telecommunications will begin enforcement of the new ordinance July 1, 2005. Between May 1 and June 30, 2005, you must register any location at which you utilize an electronic alarm system with the Department of Emergency Services and Telecommunications. Even if you have registered in the past, you <u>must</u> register during this campaign.

I have enclosed an Application for Alarm Permit. Please familiarize yourself with the provisions of the new ordinance which I have outlined in the enclosed brochure. With your cooperation, these measures will help reduce the significant demand false alarms put on Emergency Services and will allow us to better serve the needs of all citizens of our community.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

Gary A. Stango, Director

Emergency Services and Telecommunications

Enclosure(s)